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June 19, 1984

Dear Alfreda,

Thank you very much for the material on East Timor by Antônio P. Barbedo de Magalhães and for your letter – in very clear English! I will share the material with other interested groups + individuals.

I am enclosing two letters which were printed in the newspaper (from me and from another member of our Kure YWCA East Timor group). Unfortunately the Japanese letter appears only in the local Hiroshima area paper*. I'm afraid there has been no other reaction to our letters to Nakasone and Soares, however.

May I ask you to let me know what you think will happen at the U.N. this year regarding the East Timor issue. For the last two years we have conducted a campaign to send postcards to the foreign minister at the time of the U.N. debate urging Japan to vote in favor of self-determination. Last year, of course, the vote was called off, but we had already started our campaign so we had to continue with it.

At present there are two other groups (in Tokyo + Osaka) preparing fairly in-depth material on East Timor in Japanese for publication. It will be a great help to have some material in Japanese other than our rather amateurish efforts at the Y.

I am glad that you showed our letters to the NGO groups working on the East Timor issue in Portugal. We would appreciate receiving their material. We know a professor of Portuguese language at the Osaka University of foreign languages who is interested in East Timor and he could read them and share the information with us.

Could I also ask you to send, if possible, the book by Professor Mod. Magalhães. If you tell me the cost (including postage) I could send you a check from an American (U.S.) bank, or if that is inconvenient, I could pay the equivalent amount in yen to Maria when she comes to Japan later in the year.* I think the Professor of Portuguese could use it. (By coincidence, he happened to meet the crew of the Portuguese ship

* Or if you prefer, I could send you Japanese material in exchange including a 33-minute slide presentation (with tape) which we made at the YWCA.

which "rescued" the Portuguese governor-general of East Timor and his staff from Ataúro Island in December 1975 when it stopped in Yokohama.)

May I ask another favor: Please give the enclosed Postcard to Maria with my warmest regards.

Thank you again for your very informative letter.

In solidarity,

Jean Inglis

Carta pessoal de Mrs. Jean Inglis: 26/6/84

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MINISTÉRIO DOS NEGÓCIOS ESTRANGEIROS
Gabinete do Ministro

Lisbon, 8th May, 1984

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter dated May 28, 1984, addressed to the Prime Minister of Portugal, concerning East Timor, I am pleased to inform that the question of Timor will probably be one of the issues to be discussed during the forthcoming visit of Prime Minister Mário Soares to Japan later this month.

Sincerily yours

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